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MINUTES  
OF THE 10 AUGUST 1981  
MEETING OF THE FINE ARTS COMMISSION

1. The meeting was called to order at 1100 hrs. in room 7D32, Headquarters. Present were:

Members:

Bruce T. Johnson, Chairman



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Consultant:

Representatives:

1. The minutes of the 13 July 1981 meeting were amended as follows:

- 25X1 4. d. [redacted] reported that the medical exhibit will go up on 13 July and will be up until 10 September. The Hispanic exhibit will take place 14-21 September, and the exhibit for Handicapped Week will be held the week of 19 October. The Employees' art exhibit will be held from 2 November through 11 December.

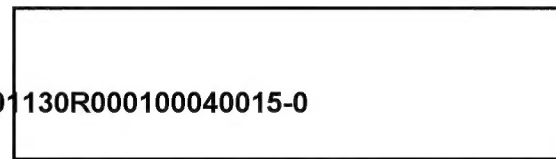
The minutes of the 13 July meeting were approved as amended.

2. Old Business

- 25X1 a. [redacted] has received no reply from William Draper, the artist who painted the Directors' portraits, regarding possible causes of the deterioration of his paintings. Another request for information will be sent him
- 25X1 [redacted] has the name of a portrait painter (Lyn Buckham) who has painted the portraits of several well known people, including Admiral Raborn, Justice Blackman, and General Lowe. It was suggested that several members of FAC arrange to look at her work. Mr. Johnson will call Ms. Buckham to obtain information about the locations of the portraits she has painted. (Note: When he called, Mr. Johnson learned that the artist is Mr. Lyn Buckham, not Ms.)

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- b. The planter boxes in the cafeteria have been moved to Building 213, allowing additional seating in the South Cafeteria to make way for those formerly seated in the Rendezvous Room in the balcony. The balcony of the South Cafeteria will be made into language labs.
- c. Mr. Johnson reported on a recent conversation with Mr. Melzac, who has discussed with a curator of the National Museum of American Art the possibility that their planned exhibit of paintings by Alma Thomas might subsequently be exhibited at CIA. The suggestion was well received by the NMAA official.
- d. Mr. Johnson reported that he had sent a memo to the Office of Personnel outlining possible exceptions to the recent HN on display of notices in the Headquarters building.

4. New Business

- a. [ ] has resigned as Chairman of the Exhibit Committee. The Chairman, FAC, thanked her for her work. [ ] has expressed an interest in heading this committee. After some discussion it was decided to appoint [ ] as Chairman of the Exhibit Committee.
- b. [ ] Visual Aids, is working on an exhibit, scheduled for next year, showing the history of CIA with emphasis on the Headquarters building. Included will be information about how the land was used prior to CIA occupancy, the appearance of the site as the building was going up, old photographs, and foreign gifts to Agency employees. [ ] said that his office had some photos which might be included.
- c. [ ] memo to the Chairman, FAC, with suggestions on improving the landscaping around Headquarters will be forwarded to OL. [ ] memo also reported that the Wilderness Trail is still unfinished. This matter will be taken up again with OL.
- d. The Chairman has received a note from the Suggestion Award Committee regarding the proposed paving of the pathway from the southwest entrance to the south loading dock. Lack of resources prevents action and lack of action makes it difficult to justify an award to the person who sent in the suggestion that the pathway be paved. Blocking the path with fences or plants as an alternative was suggested in the note. The FAC will recommend against any barrier across the pathway and once again suggest a certificate of appreciation be given to the suggestor for his concern.

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- f. The condition of the courtyard near the north cafeteria was brought up. Due to the lack of water, the landscaping in this area seems to be dying. Several suggestions for this area were made, including a rock garden and a cactus garden. [redacted] stated that the Agency no longer has a resident landscaper but she would seek information about the types of planting which could survive the lack of water in summer and the cold of this area's winters. 25X1
5. There will be no FAC meeting in September. The next FAC meeting will be on 5 October at 1100 hrs. in room 7D32.
6. Mr. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 1140 hrs.

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